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SUBJ: NETHERLANDS F-16 PROGRAM

1. GON PLANS TO EXERCISE OPTION TO PURCHASE 18 ADDITIONAL
F-16 AIRCRAFT, MAKING FOR A TOTAL PURCHASE OF 102.

2. WHEN GON SIGNED F-16 CONTRACT IN 1975, IT COMMITTED ITSELF
TO PURCHASE 84 AIRCRAFT, WITH POSSIBLE OPTION OF AN ADDITIONAL
18. DECISION TO EXERCISE THE OPTION REFLECTS DUTCH SATISFACTION
WITH F-16 PROGRAM. STATE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE VAN EEKELEN TOLD
THE PRESS LAST WEEK JUST AFTER HE RETURNED FROM A VISIT TO
WASHINGTON THAT PROJECT HAD REMAINED BELOW THE NOT-TO-EXCEED-PRICE
AGREED WITH GENERAL DYNAMICS AND THAT GON, AS A CONSEQUENCE,
HAS NOT HAD TO DRAW ON RESERVE FUDF OF 250-MILLION GUILDERS
(1.16 GUILDERS EQUAL ONE DOLLAR) FOR UNFORSEEN CONTINGENCIES.
ANY DECISION NOT TO EXERCISE OPTION, MOREOVER, WOULD HAVE
INCREASED UNIT COST OF THE ORIGINAL 84 AIRCRAFT. ADDITIONAL
18 AIRCRAFT WILL PROBABLY BE USED TO REPLACE RF-104'S.
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